

AN ACT

ENTITLED, An Act to permit all but one petitioner to waive personal appearance at a hearing for termination of parental rights.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

Section 1. That § 25-5A-14 be amended to read as follows:

25-5A-14. The personal presence of one parent at the hearing is required for jurisdictional purposes. However, any other person whose consent is necessary, may appear by filing with the court a power of attorney. If the Department of Social Services or a licensed child placement agency has custody of a child by written agreement of a parent with power of attorney to consent, the secretary or an authorized agent may appear and consent.

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I certify that the attached Act
originated in the

SENATE as Bill No. 100

Secretary of the Senate
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President of the Senate

Attest:

Secretary of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Attest:

Chief Clerk

Senate Bill No. 100
File No. _____
Chapter No. _____

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Received at this Executive Office
this ____ day of _____ ,

19__ at ____ M.

By _____
for the Governor
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The attached Act is hereby
approved this _____ day of
_____, A.D., 19__

Governor
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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA,
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Office of the Secretary of State

Filed _____, 19__
at _____ o'clock __ M.

Secretary of State

By _____
Asst. Secretary of State